

Appendix A

Smart Growth -- Local Comprehensive Planning Goals¹

- a. Promotion of the redevelopment of lands with existing infrastructure and public services and the maintenance and rehabilitation of existing residential, commercial, and industrial structures.
- b. Encouragement of neighborhood designs that support a range of transportation choices.
- c. Protection of natural areas, including wetlands, wildlife habitats, lakes, woodlands, open spaces, and groundwater resources.
- d. Protection of economically productive areas, including farmland and forests.
- e. Encouragement of land uses, densities, and regulations that promote efficient development patterns and relatively low municipal, state governmental, and utility costs.
- f. Preservation of cultural, historic, and archaeological sites.
- g. Encouragement of coordination and cooperation among nearby units of government
- h. Building of community identity by revitalizing main streets and enforcing design standards.
- i. Providing an adequate supply of affordable housing for individuals of all income levels throughout each community.
- j. Providing adequate infrastructure and public services and an adequate supply of developable land to meet existing and future market demand for residential, commercial, and industrial uses.
- k. Promoting the expansion or stabilization of the current economic base and the creation of a range of employment opportunities at the state, regional, and local levels.
- l. Balancing individual property rights with community interests and goals.
- m. Planning and development of land uses that create or preserve varied and unique urban and rural communities.
- n. Providing an integrated, efficient and economical transportation system that affords mobility, convenience, and safety and that meets the needs of all citizens, including transit-dependent and disabled citizens.

¹ These goals were taken from state statutes (§16.965 (4b) and §1.13 (2))

Appendix B

Public Participation Plan

Purpose

In order for the Comprehensive Plan to operate effectively, in according to the law and to address the needs of the citizens of the Town of Cottage Grove, the residents must be kept informed and provided an opportunity to participate in the planning process. Further, public participation will be used to collect data and opinions that can be obtained in no other way. Written comments from the residents included on the survey will be passed on to the town board and plan commission members. The information received will be used to determine the needs of the Town and develop community goals.

Public Participation Efforts

1. Community-Wide Survey
2. Interviews
3. Workshops
4. Conduct Public Planning Meetings
5. Public Hearing
6. Receive and respond to written requests

Methodology

- Conduct a Town-Wide survey of residents at each dwelling. The survey will collect data and opinions from the residents concerning direction and types of growth, housing conditions, and need for economic development.
- Hold 15 one hour interviews with officials and interested citizens in the Town.
- Conduct the monthly planning meetings open to the public and invite participation by the public. Provide the public participants with the same information including the handouts as provided to the council and plan commission members.
- Hold 2 workshops with citizen participation to identify problems and potentials in the Town.
- Hold at least one public hearing as described in the plan.
- The official notice of hearings will be by public notice in the official newspaper with a class one notice at least 30 days preceding the hearing. In addition, the public notice shall be posted at:
 1. the Town Hall, 4058 County Trunk Highway N., Cottage Grove, WI
 2. the Corn Palace on CTH N at Coffeetown Road, Cottage Grove WI.
 3. the intersection of Gaston Road and Brown Thrush Trail, Cottage Grove, WI.
 4. American Way in America Heritage Subdivision, Cottage Grove, WI.These notices will include time, place and date of hearing, as well as a summary of the proposed Comprehensive Plan or amendment to such plan. Penny Ericson, Clerk, will provide additional information regarding the proposed Comprehensive Plan ordinance and information relating to where and when the proposed Comprehensive Plan or amendment to such will be passed. A copy of the plan or amendment to such plan may be inspected before the hearing or a copy of the plan or amendment may be obtained at the Town Hall, 4058 County Trunk Highway N, Cottage Grove.
- Citizens may submit written comments or questions on the Comprehensive Plan to the Town Clerk at Town Hall, County Trunk Highway N, Cottage Grove, WI. The Town will respond in writing to those comments or questions if requested to do so.

As adopted by the Town Board.

Appendix C

Community Survey

Important Survey Dates:

Initial mailing: September 2000
Second mailing: October 2000
Final tabulation: December 2000

Surveys mailed: 1,254

Surveys returned: 881

Response rate: 70.3 percent

Survey results were compiled in total and by a number of sub-groups. Results included here include total and for the following sub-groups:

- Those living on a farm
- Those living in the Town 10 years or less (35.9 percent of the total)
- Low- and moderate-income (LMI) households (34.6 percent of the total)

Other tabulations are available in the Town Clerk's office. Written answers or comments were recorded as written. They were not tabulated by sub-group.

Appendix D

Development Concepts Background Report

The following maps present different development concepts that were considered in the planning process. Although there are four different maps, no single map was chosen as the best. Rather, a final development concept map was prepared that drew upon the best of each of the concepts. (It is included in the Land Use Element.) The selected concept map was then used to prepare the future land use map.